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~~active oxygen eliminating activity, said inhibitory agent  
comprising an amount effective of trehalose for said  
inhibition.~~

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Claim 6 (amended), line 2 after "substance", delete  
the previous amendment "in juicy form" and insert therefor  
--in a juicy form--.

REMARKS

Applicants believe that the examiner may  
misunderstand the present invention as regards the decrease of  
active-oxygen-eliminating activity.

What is to be emphasized is that in the present  
invention it is not the decrease of active-oxygen-eliminating  
activity of an additive compound, but instead the decrease of  
active-oxygen-eliminating activity of a food product as a  
whole which is inhibited according to the present invention.  
Thus, some foods inherently have an active-oxygen-eliminating  
activity; however, when that food is sliced or disrupted or  
has a plant-edible-part extracted therefrom, its active-  
oxygen-eliminating activity decreases when the food is  
processed and/or stored, i.e. the active-oxygen-eliminating  
activity of the food product lessens over time. The present  
invention inhibits the decrease of the active-oxygen-  
eliminating activity of the food.